

Squair, John

Sept 1914 - May 1915

University of Toronto.

TORONTO, CANADA.

Oct. 28, 1914

My dear President

A member of the staff has just informed me that a newspaper man received an interview from Prof. Benzinger the other day which contained very pro-German sentiments. Fortunately some one, either in the newspaper office or outside, prevented the publication of the interview. The story may not be true but it might be a good thing to warn B. to see no newspaper men.

Yours very sincerely
J. Squire

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University of Toronto
Sept. 18. 1914

My dear President

I have communicated with Mlle Guillaume, M. Bibet's sister-in-law and she has agreed to take some of the work in French. Nothing has been said regarding remuneration. I have not spoken to any man yet regarding the remainder of the work in conversation, etc. What have the Governors decided regarding the salaries of those absent?

Yours sincerely
J. Guair

September 26th, 1914

Professor Squair,

University of Toronto.

Dear Professor Squair:

If you think that M. Guy de Lestard is the best person whom you can get for the work in French you had better promise him the place and I will recommend it to the Board. As to salary it is a case who needs the hundred dollars most Professor de Champ or M. de Lestard.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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University College

TORONTO, CANADA

Oct. 19, 1914

My Dear President

I am sorry
that my arrangements for
Conversation in French have
broken down. Mlle Guillaume
is afraid that her health
will not permit her to con-
tinue. I have spoken to
M. de Lestard about taking
over her classes and he
is willing. But he should
have an augmentation, and
I recommend that we
have the \$300 we were
to give to Mlle Guillaume.

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It should, of course, come
out of Mr Bibb's \$500
and not out of Mr de Champe's
~~salary~~ ^{salary} which will be already
reduced by \$600.

Yours sincerely
J. Guair

University of Toronto.

TORONTO, CANADA.

Memo. for the President.

The following recommendations
are made for the present year
for the French Staff.

Mademoiselle Guillaume	\$ 300
M. Guy de Le Leatard	\$ 600

Sept. 30, 1914

J. Iguair

October 30th, 1914

Professor Squair,

University College.

Dear Professor Squair:

I am very sorry if what I said to "Varsity" of the desirability of French for those who are to take drill has seemed to you to be premature. Probably the statement as it has come out has not fully explained the intention I wished to convey. My own view is, and has been for years, that every Canadian should know French, and the present situation only accentuates this, but I intended to let the representative know and did not wish him to feel that any claim could be made on the French department which is already generously carrying a very heavy burden. I am quite sure that the department would be willing as you say to do whatever is feasible. The question is what is feasible in the present circumstances.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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University of Toronto.

TORONTO, CANADA.

Nov. 4. 1914

My Dear President

I have seen Col. Lang and I understand better now what he has in his mind regarding the teaching of French to his men. His ideas are quite different from those of a number about the place. He hopes to be able to teach a few of the officers who will soon be in barracks at the Exhibition grounds a little French and German before they leave for the front. No instruction on the grounds of the University will be attempted. His project seems reasonable and the staff in French will do what it can to assist him

Yours faithfully
J. S. Quair

My dear President March 24. 1915
I saw Mr Richereau last evening and he informs me that Mme Bibet is receiving 75 cents a day from the Patriotic fund and 25 cents a day from the French government, which makes \$1.00 per day in all. I must have misunderstood him when I was speaking of him on a former occasion. As to Mme Bibet's position Mr R. thinks it is pretty hard. She needs all the University can afford to give her.

I have just received a letter from Mr de Champ which I enclose. I am afraid I may have raised false hopes in his mind by what I said to him. You will see that he considers his situation as desperate. Would it not be well to have the Bursar write to him informing him as to the decision of the Board of Governors?

Yours sincerely.
J. S. Gair

May 20th, 1915

Professor Souair,

University College.

My dear Professor Souair:

I must congratulate you and the Modern Language staff on the work that you have done for the soldiers by the publication of the "Canadian Soldier's Manual". I am sure that you have done a useful and most effective piece of work.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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University of Toronto.

TORONTO, CANADA,

Jan. 27. 1915

My Dear President

We had a
Communication from
Mr Le Deuc some time
ago. I suppose you will
put his letter on file
so that if he is needed
in future we may have
his address

Yours sincerely
J. S. Guair